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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: PRIME MINISTER SOMARE'S SCHEDULE FOR PEKING

1. DFAT INFORMS ME PRIME MINISTER SOMARE IS NOW SCHEDULED TO VISIT PEKING IN SECOND WEEK OF OCTOBER FOR ABOUT FIVE DAYS. SABUMEI, FIRST SECRETARY, DFAT, BELIEVES THAT PROBLEMS RE DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION WILL BE WORKED OUT BY THAT TIME AND EXPECTS ANNOUNCEMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION WILL BE MADE DURING VISIT.

2. SABUMEI SAID PRC HAD DISCUSSED CLOSE ECONOMIC TIES, MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL TRADE AND THE OPENING OF A PRC MISSION IN PORT MORESBY. HE IMPLIED GPNG HAD REACTED UNENTHUSIASTICALLY TO CLOSE ECONOMIC TIES AND SAID GPNG REFUSED TO PERMIT THE OPENING OF A PRC MISSION HERE. (THIS IS IN KEEPING WITH EXISTING POLICY.)

3. DURING THE CONVERSATION, WHICH TOUCHED ON VARIOUS OTHER MATTERS, SABUMEI COMMENTED THAT THE CHINESE WERE MUCH MORE AGGRESSIVE IN THEIR DIPLOMACY THAN THE
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